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June 29, 2015

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: Connect America Fund, WC Docket No. 14-58, 47 CFR § 54.313 Annual Reporting Requirements for High-Cost Recipients (Form 481)

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Attached please find Bijou Telephone Cooperative Association's (Company) (SAC 462181) high-cost support recipient annual report pursuant to 47 CFR § 54.313 (Form 481).

The Company is filing certain financial information, reported pursuant to 47 CFR § 54.313(f)(2), as confidential under the June 17, 2015 Protective Order (DA 15-712). Pursuant to that Order, each page of this filing has been marked "REDACTED - FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION." The non-redacted version of this information has been marked "CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION - SUBJECT TO PROTECTIVE ORDER IN WC DOCKET NOS. 10-90, 07-135, 05-337, 03-109, 14-58, GN DOCKET NO. 09-51, CC DOCKET NOS. 01-92, 96-45, WT DOCKET NO. 10-208 BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION." As such, the Company requests that the non-redacted version of its submission be withheld from public inspection.

The Company is also requesting confidential treatment of certain information being filed pursuant to 47 CFR 54.313(a)(1) (five year service quality improvement plan progress report) under 47 CFR § 0.457 and 0.459. The redacted version of this filing has been marked "REDACTED - FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION." The non-redacted version has been marked "CONFIDENTIAL - NOT FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION."

Pursuant to 47 CFR § 0.459, the Company offers the following in support of its request for confidential treatment of certain information.

- *Identification of the specific information for which confidential treatment is sought:* The Company seeks confidential treatment of the five year service quality improvement plan progress report required per 47 CFR § 54.313(a)(1),
- *Identification of the Commission proceeding in which the information was submitted or a description of the circumstances giving rise to the submission:* The Company is providing the five year service quality improvement plan progress report as part of its annual high-cost support recipient report per 47 CFR § 54.313.
- *Explanation of the degree to which the information is commercial or financial, or contains a trade secret or is privileged:* The Company considers the information to be highly sensitive in that it contains statements about the Company's future investment plans, and discusses specific equipment and strategies the Company will utilize to provide services.

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- *Explanation of the degree to which the information concerns a service that is subject to competition:* The Company provides voice and broadband services that are in competition with various landline and wireless providers; thus, the investment data disclosed is related to services subject to competition to a high degree.
- *Identification of any measures taken by the submitting party to prevent unauthorized disclosure:* The Company makes the data being provided available only to employees, consultants, and attorneys on a limited, need-to-know basis.
- *Identification of whether the information is available to the public and the extent of any previous disclosure of the information to third parties:* The information is not publicly available.
- *Justification of the period during which the submitting party asserts that material should not be available for public disclosure:* The Company requests that the data provided be treated as confidential indefinitely. Due to the sensitive nature of the data, it would not be appropriate for public disclosure at any time in the foreseeable future.
- *Any other information that the party seeking confidential treatment believes may be useful in assessing whether its request for confidential treatment should be granted:* None.

Accordingly, The Company requests confidential treatment of the five year service quality improvement plan progress report pursuant to section 0.457 and 0.459 of the Commission's rules.

The redacted version of this Form 481 submission will be filed via the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS) in the above-captioned docket.

If you have any questions about this filing, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

Rob D. Strait
Principal
719-531-6342

Attachment

cc: Charles Tyler
Telecommunications Access Policy Division
Wireline Competition Bureau
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W., Room 5-A452
Washington, DC 20554

**FCC Form 481 - Carrier Annual Reporting
Data Collection Form**

FCC Form 481

OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819

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<010> Study Area Code 462181

<015> Study Area Name BIJOU TEL COOP ASSOC

<020> Program Year 2016

<030> Contact Name: Person USAC should contact with questions about this data Brian Creveling

<035> Contact Telephone Number: 3038225400 ext. Number of the person identified in data line <030>

<039> Contact Email Address: creveling@netecinc.net Email of the person identified in data line <030>

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ANNUAL REPORTING FOR ALL CARRIERS

54.313 Completion Required	54.422 Completion Required
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(check box when complete)

<100> Service Quality Improvement Reporting	(complete attached worksheet)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<200> Outage Reporting (voice)	(complete attached worksheet)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<210> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <-- check box if no outages to report		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<300> Unfulfilled Service Requests (voice) 0		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<310> Detail on Attempts (voice)	(attach descriptive document)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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<400> Number of Complaints per 1,000 customers (voice)			
<410> Fixed 0.0		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<420> Mobile 0.0		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<430> Number of Complaints per 1,000 customers (broadband)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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<500> Service Quality Standards & Consumer Protection Rules Compliance	(check to indicate certification)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<510> 462181C0510.pdf	(attach descriptive document)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<600> Functionality in Emergency Situations	(check to indicate certification)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<610> 462181C0610.pdf	(attach descriptive document)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<700> Company Price Offerings (voice)	(complete attached worksheet)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<710> Company Price Offerings (broadband)	(complete attached worksheet)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<800> Operating Companies and Affiliates	(complete attached worksheet)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<900> Tribal Land Offerings (Y/N)? <input type="radio"/> <input checked="" type="radio"/>	(if yes, complete attached worksheet)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<1000> Voice Services Rate Comparability Certification Yes		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<1010>	(attach descriptive document)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<1100> Certify whether terrestrial backhaul options exist (Yes or No) <input checked="" type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/>	(if not, check to indicate certification)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<1110>	(complete attached worksheet)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<1200> Terms and Condition for Lifeline Customers	(complete attached worksheet)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Price Cap Carriers, Proceed to Price Cap Additional Documentation Worksheet

Including Rate-of-Return Carriers affiliated with Price Cap Local Exchange Carriers

<2000>	(check to indicate certification)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<2005>	(complete attached worksheet)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Rate of Return Carriers, Proceed to ROR Additional Documentation Worksheet

<3000>	(check to indicate certification)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<3005>	(complete attached worksheet)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

(100) Service Quality Improvement Reporting
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<020>	Program Year	2016
<030>	Contact Name - Person USAC should contact regarding this data	Brian Creveling
<035>	Contact Telephone Number - Number of person identified in data line <030>	3038225400 ext.
<039>	Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030>	creveling@netecin.net
<110>	Has your company received its ETC certification from the FCC?	(yes / no) <input type="radio"/> <input checked="" type="radio"/>
	If your answer to Line <110> is yes, do you have an existing §54.202(a) "5	
<111>	year plan" filed with the FCC?	(yes / no) <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/>

If your answer to Line <111> is yes, then you are required to file a progress report, on line <112> delineating the status of your company's existing § 54.202(a) "5 year plan" on file with the FCC, as it relates to your provision of voice telephony service.

462181C0112.pdf

- <112> Attach Five-Year Service Quality Improvement Plan or, in subsequent years, your annual progress report filed pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 54.313(a)(1). If your company is a CETC which only receives frozen support, your progress report is only required to address voice telephony service.

Name of Attached Document

Please select the appropriate responses below (Yes, No, Not Applicable) to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 112, contains a progress report on its five-year service quality improvement plan pursuant to §54.202(a). The information shall be submitted at the wire center level or census block as appropriate.

- <113> Maps detailing progress towards meeting plan targets
- <114> Report how much universal service (USF) support was received
- <115> How much (USF) was used to improve service quality and how support was used to improve service quality
- <116> How much (USF) was used to improve service coverage and how support was used to improve service coverage
- <117> How much (USF) was used to improve service capacity and how support was used to improve service capacity
- <118> Provide an explanation of network improvement targets not met in the prior calendar year.

Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes
Not Applicable

[200] Service Outage Reporting (Voice)
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(700) Price Offerings including Voice Rate Data
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<701> Residential Local Service Charge Effective Date

1/1/2015

<702> Single State-wide Residential Local Service Charge

[illegible]

(710) Broadband Price Offerings
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(800) Operating Companies

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<039>	Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030>	creveling@netecin.net
<810>	Reporting Carrier	Bijou Telephone Co-Op Association, Inc.
<811>	Holding Company	Not Applicable
<812>	Operating Company	Bijou Telephone Co-Op Association, Inc.

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Affiliates

SAC

Doing Business As Company or Brand Designation

-- See attached worksheet --

(900) Tribal Lands Reporting
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<910> Tribal Land(s) on which ETC Serves

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<920> Tribal Government Engagement Obligation

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Name of Attached Document

If your company serves Tribal lands, please select (Yes, No, NA) for each these boxes to confirm the status described on the attached document(s), on line 920, demonstrates coordination with the Tribal government pursuant to § 54.313(a)(9) includes:

- <921> Needs assessment and deployment planning with a focus on Tribal community anchor institutions.
- <922> Feasibility and sustainability planning;
- <923> Marketing services in a culturally sensitive manner;
- <924> Compliance with Rights of way processes
- <925> Compliance with Land Use permitting requirements
- <926> Compliance with Facilities Siting rules
- <927> Compliance with Environmental Review processes
- <928> Compliance with Cultural Preservation review processes
- <929> Compliance with Tribal Business and Licensing requirements.

Select Yes or No or Not Applicable

**(1100) No Terrestrial Backhaul Reporting
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<1120> Please confirm whether terrestrial backhaul options exist within the supported area pursuant to § 54.313(g) (Yes, No).

<1130> Please select the appropriate response (Yes, No, Not Applicable) to confirm the reporting carrier offers broadband service of at least 1 Mbps downstream and 256 kbps upstream within the supported area pursuant to § 54.313(g).

(1200) Terms and Condition for Lifeline Customers

Lifeline

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<1210> Terms & Conditions of Voice Telephony Lifeline Plans

Name of Attached Document

<1220> Link to Public Website

HTTP

"Please check these boxes below to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 1210, or the website listed, on line 1220, contains the required information pursuant to § 54.422(a)(2) annual reporting for ETCs receiving low-income support, carriers must annually report:

- <1221> Information describing the terms and conditions of any voice telephony service plans offered to Lifeline subscribers, ☒
- <1222> Details on the number of minutes provided as part of the plan, ☒
- <1223> Additional charges for toll calls, and rates for each such plan. ☒

(2000) Price Cap Carrier Additional Documentation**Data Collection Form***Including Rate-of-Return Carriers affiliated with Price Cap Local Exchange Carriers*

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<030>	Contact Name - Person USAC should contact regarding this data	2016
<035>	Contact Telephone Number - Number of person identified in data line <030>	Brian Cravealing
<039>	Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030>	3038229400 ext. 1 cravealing@netecinc.net

Select the appropriate responses below (Yes, No, Not Applicable) to note compliance as a recipient of Incremental Connect America Phase I support, frozen High Cost support, High Cost support to offset access charge reductions, and Connect America Phase II support as set forth in 47 CFR § 54.313(b),(c),(d),(e). The information reported on this form and in the documents attached below is accurate.

Incremental Connect America Phase I reporting

- <2010> 2nd Year Certification {47 CFR § 54.313(b)(1)i}
 <2011a> 3rd Year Certification {47 CFR § 54.313(b)(1)ii}
 <2011b> Attachment {47 CFR § 54.313(b)(1)ii}

Name of Attached Document(s) Listing Required Information

Price Cap Carrier Receiving Frozen Support Certification {47 CFR § 54.312(a)}

- <2012> 2013 Frozen Support Calculation {47 CFR § 54.313(c)(1)}
 <2013> 2014 Frozen Support Calculation {47 CFR § 54.313(c)(2)}
 <2014> 2015 Frozen Support Calculation {47 CFR § 54.313(c)(3)}
 <2015> 2016 and future Frozen Support Calculation {47 CFR § 54.313(c)(4)}

Price Cap Carrier Connect America ICC Support {47 CFR § 54.313(d)}

- <2016> Certification Support Used to Build Broadband

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Connect America Phase II Reporting {47 CFR § 54.313(e)}

- <2017> 3rd year Broadband Service Certification
 <2018> 5th year Broadband Service Certification
 <2019> Interim Progress Certification
 <2020> Please check the box to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 2021, contains the required information pursuant to § 54.313 (e)(3)(ii), as a recipient of CAF Phase II support shall provide the number, names, and addresses of community anchor institutions to which began providing access to broadband service in the preceding calendar year.

- <2021> Interim Progress Community Anchor Institutions

Name of Attached Document(s) Listing Required Information

(3000) Rate Of Return Carrier Additional Documentation

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CHECK the boxes below to note compliance on its five year service quality plan (pursuant to 47 CFR § 54.202(a)) and, for privately held carriers, ensuring compliance with the financial reporting requirements set forth in 47 CFR § 54.313(f)(2). I further certify that the information reported on this form and in the documents attached below is accurate.

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- (3010) Progress Report on 5 Year Plan
Milestone Certification (47 CFR § 54.313(f)(1)(i))

Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information

- (3011) Please check this box to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 3012 contains the required information pursuant to § 54.313 (f)(1)(ii), the carrier shall provide the number, names, and addresses of community anchor institutions to which began providing access to broadband service in the preceding calendar year. ☒

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- (3012) Community Anchor Institutions (47 CFR § 54.313(f)(1)(ii))

Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information

- (3013) Is your company a Privately Held ROR Carrier (47 CFR § 54.313(f)(2))
(3014) If yes, does your company file the RUS annual report

(Yes/No) ☒ ☒
(Yes/No) ☒ ☒

Please check these boxes to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 3017, contains the required information pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2) compliance requires:

- (3015) Electronic copy of their annual RUS reports (Operating Report for Telecommunications Borrowers) ☐
(3016) Document(s) for Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows ☐

- (3017) If the response is yes on line 3014, attach your company's RUS annual report and all required documentation

Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information

- (3018) If the response is no on line 3014, is your company audited?

(Yes/No) ☒ ☐

If the response is yes on line 3018, please check the boxes below to confirm your submission, on line 3026 pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2), contains:

- (3019) Either a copy of their audited financial statement; or (2) a financial report in a format comparable to RUS Operating Report for Telecommunications ☒
(3020) Document(s) for Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows ☒
(3021) Management letter and audit opinion issued by the independent certified public accountant that performed the company's financial audit ☒

If the response is no on line 3018, please check the boxes below to confirm your submission, on line 3026 pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2), contains:

- (3022) Copy of their financial statement which has been subject to review by an independent certified public accountant; or 2) a financial report in a format comparable to RUS Operating Report for Telecommunications Borrowers, ☐
(3023) Underlying information subjected to a review by an independent certified public accountant ☐
(3024) Underlying information subjected to an officer certification. ☐
(3025) Document(s) for Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows ☐

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- (3026) Attach the worksheet listing required information

Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information

(3000) Rate Of Return Carrier Additional Documentation (Continued)

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Financial Data Summary

(3027) Revenue

1753428

(3028) Operating Expenses

1858146

(3029) Net Income

297019

(3030) Telephone Plant In Service(TPIS)

9115966

(3031) Total Assets

7333723

(3032) Total Debt

35591

(3033) Total Equity

4813112

(3034) Dividends

110621

Certification - Reporting Carrier Data Collection Form	FCC Form 483 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013
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TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER, IF THE REPORTING CARRIER IS FILING ANNUAL REPORTING ON ITS OWN BEHALF:

Certification of Officer as to the Accuracy of the Data Reported for the Annual Reporting for CAF or LI Recipients	
I certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier; my responsibilities include ensuring the accuracy of the annual reporting requirements for universal service support recipients; and, to the best of my knowledge, the information reported on this form and in any attachments is accurate.	
Name of Reporting Carrier: BIJOU TEL COOP ASSOC	
Signature of Authorized Officer: CERTIFIED ONLINE	Date 06/26/2015
Printed name of Authorized Officer: Brian Creveling	
Title or position of Authorized Officer: General Manager	
Telephone number of Authorized Officer: 3038225400 ext.	
Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier: 462181	Filing Due Date for this form: 07/01/2015
Persons willfully making false statements on this form can be punished by fine or forfeiture under the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. § 1001.	

Certification - Agent / Carrier	FCC Form 481
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TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER, IF AN AGENT IS FILING ANNUAL REPORTS ON THE CARRIER'S BEHALF:

Certification of Officer to Authorize an Agent to File Annual Reports for CAF or LI Recipients on Behalf of Reporting Carrier	
I certify that (Name of Agent) _____ is authorized to submit the information reported on behalf of the reporting carrier. I also certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier; my responsibilities include ensuring the accuracy of the annual data reporting requirements provided to the authorized agent; and, to the best of my knowledge, the reports and data provided to the authorized agent is accurate.	
Name of Authorized Agent: _____	
Name of Reporting Carrier: _____	
Signature of Authorized Officer: _____	Date: _____
Printed name of Authorized Officer: _____	
Title or position of Authorized Officer: _____	
Telephone number of Authorized Officer: _____	
Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier: _____	Filing Due Date for this form: _____
Persons willfully making false statements on this form can be punished by fine or forfeiture under the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. § 1001.	

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE AUTHORIZED AGENT:

Certification of Agent Authorized to File Annual Reports for CAF or LI Recipients on Behalf of Reporting Carrier	
I, as agent for the reporting carrier, certify that I am authorized to submit the annual reports for universal service support recipients on behalf of the reporting carrier; I have provided the data reported herein based on data provided by the reporting carrier; and, to the best of my knowledge, the information reported herein is accurate.	
Name of Reporting Carrier: _____	
Name of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: _____	
Signature of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: _____	Date: _____
Printed name of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: _____	
Title or position of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: _____	
Telephone number of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: _____	
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Attachments

(700) Price Offerings Including Voice Rate Data
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	Affiliates	SAC	Doing Business As Company or Brand Designation

EASTERN COLORADO INDEPENDENT NETWORKS, LLC

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I. DISCUSSION

Bijou Telephone Co-Op Association, Inc. (Company), an ETC designated by the state of Colorado, hereby submits this five year service quality improvement plan progress report (*Progress Report*) as required by 47 CFR § 54.313(a)(1). The Company is an incumbent local exchange carrier with a service area in the state of Colorado, with 1,071 customers in two exchanges as of 12/31/2014. The Company is a rate-of-return (RoR) regulated carrier.

The *Progress Report* reflected herein represents the Company's ongoing efforts to expand high quality, reasonably-priced broadband services throughout its service area. The Company generated and filed in 2014 a five-year plan in compliance with the Commission's rules, although the out years in the plan (years 3-5) are highly speculative in nature and thus will likely change, sometimes substantially, in future progress updates filed with the Commission. Reasons for the speculative nature of years 3-5 of the Plan include (1) the unknown nature of universal service support in those years, in light of the Commission's USF/ICC Transformation Order, (2) the difficulty in forecasting customer counts, demand, and other factors directly affecting network demand, and (3) the rapid pace of technological innovations in the communications industry makes it difficult to plan more than one or two years in advance with any degree of accuracy.

The *Progress Report* presented herein by necessity includes expenditures not directly tied to "improvements or upgrades" of the Company's network, such as amounts for the maintenance and upkeep of existing telecommunications plant. In order for the Commission to accurately consider the capital and operating expenditures as related to and supported by the federal universal service programs, these types of costs are critical for such an understanding.

II. Five Year Plan Update

The Company has no material updates to the five year service quality improvement plan it filed in 2014. The five year improvement plan is included below for reference.

Description	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
CapEx	\$351,206	\$330,000	\$375,000	\$350,000	\$385,000
OpEx	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

III. Progress Report

A. Maps

Section 54.313(a)(1) requires that all recipients of high cost support are to provide maps depicting the progress made during the current reporting period. The Company is providing a map showing progress in regards to its five year service quality plan through June 30, 2015, and is provided at the wire center or census block level, as applicable.





